

In the Claims

Claims 1 - 9 (Cancelled)

10. (New) A multilayer structure, with excellent fuel barrier performance, comprising at least two layers of saponified ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer (EVOH) layer and polyamide layer, said polyamide layer comprising 100 parts by weight of a polyamide resin and from 0.2 to 5 parts by weight of a layered silicate uniformly dispersed in the polyamide resin.

11. (New) A multilayer structure, with excellent fuel barrier performance, comprising two polyamide layers having interposed therebetween a saponified ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer (EVOH) layer, the polyamide layer comprising 100 parts by weight of a polyamide resin and from 0.2 to 5 parts by weight of a layered silicate uniformly dispersed in the polyamide resin.

12. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 10, which further comprises a polyolefin layer.

13. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 11, which further comprises a polyolefin layer.

14. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 12, wherein the polyolefin is modified with an unsaturated carboxylic acid or a derivative thereof.

15. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 13, wherein the polyolefin is modified with an unsaturated carboxylic acid or a derivative thereof.

16. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 12, wherein the EVOH layer or polyamide layer and the polyolefin layer are stacked through a polyolefin layer modified with an unsaturated carboxylic acid or a derivative thereof.

17. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 13, wherein the EVOH layer or polyamide layer and the polyolefin layer are stacked through a polyolefin layer modified with an unsaturated carboxylic acid or a derivative thereof.

18. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 10, wherein the layered silicate has a one-side length of 0.002 to 1 μm and a thickness of 6 to 20 Å and is uniformly dispersed in the polyamide resin while keeping each interlayer distance 20 Å or more, on average.

19. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 11, wherein the layered silicate has a one-side length of 0.002 to 1 μm and a thickness of 6 to 20 Å and is uniformly dispersed in the polyamide resin while keeping each interlayer distance 20 Å or more, on average.

20. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 10, wherein the thickness of the EVOH layer is from 3 to 40% of the thickness of the entire multilayer structure and the thickness of the polyamide layer stacked on said EVOH layer is from 30 to 200% of the thickness of the EVOH layer.

21. (New) The multilayer structure as claimed in claim 11, wherein the thickness of the EVOH layer is from 3 to 40% of the thickness of the entire multilayer structure and the thickness of the polyamide layer stacked on said EVOH layer is from 30 to 200% of the thickness of the EVOH layer.

22. (New) A hollow container using the multilayer structure claimed in claim 10.

23. (New) A hollow container using the multilayer structure claimed in claim 11.

24. (New) A fuel part using the multilayer structure claimed in claim 10.

25. (New) A fuel part using the multilayer structure claimed in claim 11.